## Griftmen Hope to Break Their Poor Record Against Champions at Fenway Park

# BREAK RECORD FOR LOSING IN BOSTON

Nick Altrock Has Hunch That Team Will Follow Brownies Example With Victory.

DEFEAT PROV'DENCE LADS

Ray Morgan's Split Finger Bothering Him and Williams Carries Sore Arm.

### Lucky Fans to Get **Tickets From Skies**

BOSTON, April 16.-Percy Haughton, president of the Braves, is so help celebrate the opening of his club's home season on Thursday next in a novel manner. Before Braves and the Brooklyns betheir struggle Haughton will liberate half a dozen gas balloons, each of which will bear tickets for twenty-five home games.

BOSTON, April 17.-The Griffmen are here for four games before returning to the Capital to open their own 1916 son and they hope most earnestly hatter a record. When they read in the morning papers how the Brownle had won a game in Chicago for the time since 1914, they shook hands

"There's a hunch," said Nick Alsince 1914. Now if the Brownies, with collection they have, can beat jinx in Chicago, we can do it

here with the Red Sox." Last season the Griffmen dropped every one of their eleven games at Fenway Park. This spring, however, they hope to spoil that poor record by copping at least three of the first of the sampaign.

The Washington Wanderers rolled into the Hub shortly after S o'clock last night after having given the citizenry of Providence, R. I., its annual snift of big lengue baseball. The game, which was won by the big leaguers by 7 to 4, was not at all one-sided except for the seventh inning when a cluster of four hits netted as many runs and so much overhalanced the count that Nick Altrock accepted the limelight at the first base coaching line thereafter. Besides accruing a tidy purse to be distributed among the players, the same supplied an afternoon of the best kind of batting practice and an extra rehearsed for today's opener with Castigan's crew. into the Hub shortly after 8 o'clock

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Eam Rice paced the distance throughout five innings, when Jim Shaw ascended the mound. They were both hit about equally as the figures below reveal, but Rice's stuff looked to be the superior. He had the International League clubmen reaching for his fast ones and his strike-outs, which quinbered two, were on snitters with which hered two.

ones and his strike-outs, which numbered two, were on spitters with which any big leaguers might have been proud to connect.

Ehaw permitted the greatest number of hits, because the game was won for him in the seventh, after which he loped along and gave the fielders a little work and the spectators much joy at the increased activity.

Danny Moeller, Joe Judge, and Eddie Foster assaulted the deliveries of the three unwise men. Eayrs, Peters, and Schultz. Moeller's three hits were sound ones and Joe Judge took hold of the ball in no uncertain manner. Foster continued the good old form that he has been showing since the club was at the Charlottesville nursery. Peddie's swing is cutting the ball squarely this year and yesterday was no exception, his three singles being more of the 'ine drive variety than usual.

Moeller's two-bagger to inaugurate the second stanza looked like it would land in Narrangansett Bay, but the crowd which had assembled on the suburbs of the outfield interfered with its progress. Doubles were also contributed by Judge, Henry, and Shaw, and the latter might have gone farther had it not been for the ground rules about ball getting into the crowd. As it was, his blow sent three runs trinkling over the pan, and sufficient damage had been done and the game was clinched beyond compare.

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In the second inning the game took the appearance of that final comfab at New York, when hits were not forthcoming to swell the score. A double, Moeller's, and two singles had been registered, but no bingle was forthcoming to send the runners across.

As indicated, the seventh was the big inning. After Judge had filed to left, Shanks and Moeler sent grounders through short and Williams got his base for being hit by Peters. Hogan took Sawyer's bounder and threw cut Shanks at the plate, but Shaw's spank accred the three runners on base and he was himself later sent across when Foster scorched out this third safety.

Playing with the Providence club were two former big leaguers, Rehg of the Red Sox and Onslow of the Tigers. The latter still has much baseball in his system and makes things lively around first base for the Providence team.

Griffith mentioned today that he is likely to start Danny Moeller in right field, particularly if "Babe" Ruth remains the pitching selection of Bill Carrigan. Moeller, it so happens, can assault the ball from the fork or knife hand side of the plate and he will be a more certain hitter than Jamieson. This is one of the reasons that Danny makes so valuable a utility outfielder, his hitting versatilty and his value as a base runner and outfielder.

Ray Morgan's split digit is not con-valescing at rapidly as he would have



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"Rippy" Williams is complaining of a sore arm and if it gives him much trouble in today's game he will not go all the way through with Johnson. In the Providence game he complained somewhat, so he has had Mike Martin giving it a series of rubbings.

There is much joy among the younger pitchers of Griffith's staff that Tris Speaker is no longer with the Boston club. Speaker has put crimps in the pitching records of the top-notchers of the business and there is a feeling of gladness that he doesn't happen to be camped in this particular place.

If necessary to make a success of the present series. Walter Johnson may be brought back against the Red Sox on the afternoon of April 19. It is to be Patriot Day here and morning and afternoon contests are to be staged. Griff wants every game he can corral into the winning column before he returns home. Once there, he will not worry overmuch, as the home club is always conceded to have the advantage and Walter will then probably be used in his turn only.

Griffith said today that if this series goes off to a good start he will send "Andsome 'Arry' 'Arper of 'Ackensack back on Tuesday, and after that the choice will be between Boehling, Gallia and Shaw.

Henri Rondeau spent Sunday at Woonsocket with his family and, out-side of him, the entire Griffithian force

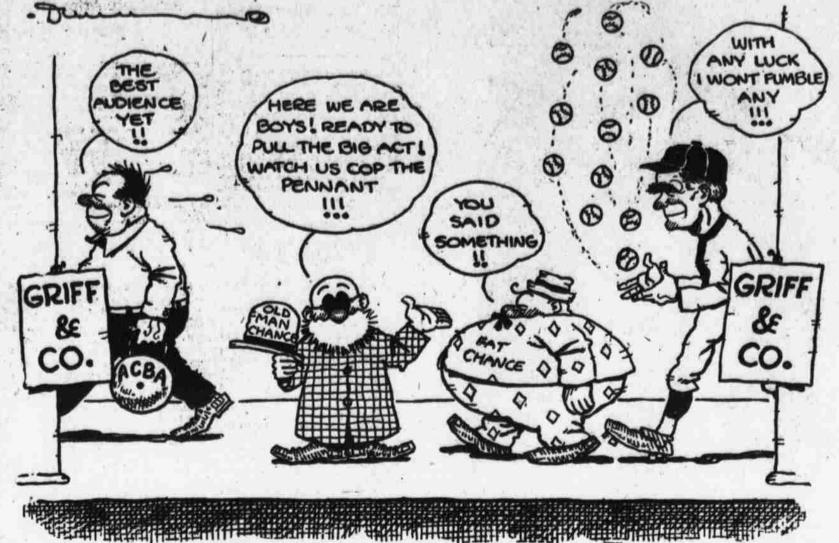
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### Kid Williams Seizes Two Very Soft Things

Hagerstown, Ind., on the night of May 9. This battle also will be over the ten-round rout. The weight, in both instances will be 118 pounds, ringside.

### Francis Ouimet Won't Become a Professional

### EXIT, BOWLING; ENTER, GRIFFMEN, THE PROGRAM



# Red Sox Yet Untried, In Spring Campaign

Mackmen Are Too Weak to Show Just Where the World's Champions Get Off in Race-Today's Sportorial on Live Topics You'll Read.

> By LOUIS A. DOUGHER. airtight ball for eleven innings to win by one run, the outlook isn't the brightest in the world.
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> Johnson will hardly pitch morel than forty-five ball games this season, out of the total of 154 games on the schedule. It is admitted that Johnson is the class of the team Now what is to become of the others who will be unable to equal Johnson's performance in the opener?
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> Now and then some of the other twirlers will come through with airtight games. Now and then the Griffmen will belabor some opposing pitcher, but the dope is wholly against the team hitting enough to give the pitchers a chance day in and day out.
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> No, Griff can't see the trend of the expert crificism. But he'll see it

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day out.

No, Griff can't see the trend of the expert crificism. But he'll see it before loag, if his team slides back

and can't manage to get up again. Then he'll see why those writers in New York have been giving him a second division barth.

Dillon vs. Moran When Jack Dillon, the Indianapolis

light-heavyweight, goes up against Frank Moran, the Pittsburgh heavy-

weight, then will be seen some fire-

works.

There are those who scoff at Dillon because he weighs but 170 pounds, and is short and squatty. They forget all about those other squatty chaps, particularly Joe Walcott, who could bring the big fellows down to him with terrific blows to the body. Dillon does this same thing. He bangs and batters his opponent about the body until they are open to sledgehammer wallops to the jaw.

Moran is about as good a heavy-weight as we now have, barring Jess Willard. But he has to be "set"

The Red Sox have rounded into the lead in the first few games of the session, but thou are really yet untried. No one will admit that the Mackmen possess sufficient class to test the world's champions and yet the Eenway crowd had to hustle every minute in all three games played. played.

Today the Red Sox will find themselves up against a stronger team in the Criffmen. Then will come their clashes with the Yankees. We should lave a better line on the champions after another week has

rone. The Tigers' pitching staff seems just as weak as ever, and Hughey Jennings has already begun unloading. Lowdermilk now wears a Cleveland uniform and some more of these Jungaleers are due for the junk wife.

White Sox pitchers don't seem ready for the long grind, but the Cleveland has picked up a bunch of courage with the acquisition of Tris Speaker, and the Indians are going to make a lot of trouble for

going to make a lot of trouble for all concerned.

On the whole the American league teams seem ready for some good braeball. All they need is pleasant weather to send the fans into ec-stasies.

Griff Can't See. In New York Clark Griffith told In New York Clark Griffith told the scribes that he could not see why they counted on his team to finish in the second division. Of course, that was right after Walter Johnson had tamed the hard-hitting Yankees in eleven innings, 3 to 2.

But that's one of the reasons why the New York scribes can't see the Griffmen as a first division team. When Walter Johnson has to pitch

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right-hand blow to the solar plexus or to the jaw.

In all his bouts Dillon has acted the part of a wild man in the ring. (He rushes sil the time, swinging both hands from all angles. He will take two blows any time to not over one, reiying implicity on his own ability to essimilate punishment and put his man away with one punch. Moran will have about thirty pounds on Dillon He will be five and a half inches tailor and will have some five inches advantage in reach. Fut the Indianapolis ran may offset all these physical advantages with one of his terrific blows to the jaw.

Don't underestimate Jack Dillon, He's a big little man.

Echoes Reverberate. All down the line go the reverberations of "Cupid" Black's deft to the public in regard to having Yale's

football players numbered.

And a loud laugh can be heard. "Cupid" Black believes, like those

estimable gentlemen at Harvard, that numbering football players would be caterings to the sporting plays football for the university, not for New York sporting writers or the

general public."

Sure, you've got the answer, "Cupid" will get his some day after he has put away his books.

If the reneral public suddenly decided some day that fotball was a feelish sport, a huge puzzle from first to last, and declined to ses any games, Yale would be unable to pay for the sport, and, necessarily, it would disappear. With it would go about every other collegiate sport for football supports them all.

"Cupid" is an undergraduate. Forgive him.

Coulon Coming Back.

CHICAGO, April 17.-Johnny Coulon, ex-bantamweight champion, will try another comeback April 25, when he meets Johnny Ritchie at Kenosha.

### League Standings.

AMERICAN LEAGUE. Standing of Clubs

Tomorrow's Games Washington at Boston.
Philadelphia at New York.
Bt. Louis at Chicago.
Detroit at Cleveland.

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Yesterday's Results. Louis, 6; Chicago, 5. Cleveland, 4; Detroit, 3

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Standing of Clubs.

Tomorrow's Games. New York at Brooklyn-Boston at Philadelphia. Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, Chicago at St. Louis.

Today's Games. York at Brooklyn.
Boston at Philadelphia.
Chicago at St. Louis.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati.

Yesterday's Results. St. Louis, 1; Chicago, 0. Cincinnati, 6; Pittsburgh, 1.

### Harvard Team Plays At Charlottesville

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., April 17.-Harvard's varsity team tackles Virginia here today. Eddle Mahan, who defeated the world's champion Red Sox last week, is scheduled to pitch.

The basketball players have been awarded the big 'V," thus elevating this sport to a major rank at Virginia.

Pirates Sign Knabe.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 17 .- Otto Knabe, former manager of the Baltimore Federal League team, has been sizned by the Pittsburgh National League club, according to an announcement here today. Knabe will report Thursday, when the Pirates open the local season.

Knabe junged the Philadelphia Nationals to take the Federal job. He reverted to the Phillies, who asked for waivers on him.



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